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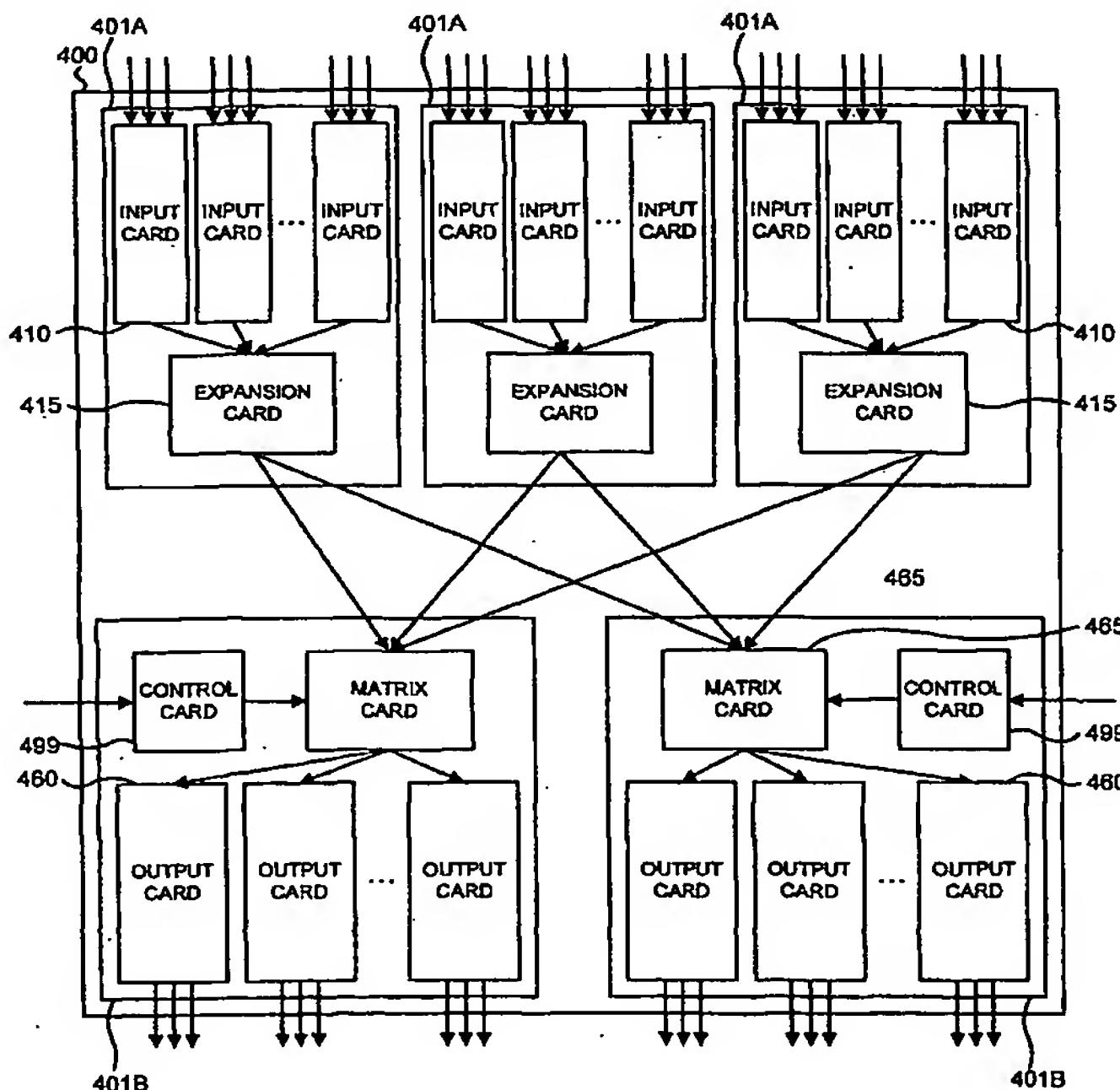
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(57) Abstract: There is provided a broadcast router that includes at least one chassis adapted for a first, a second, and a third configuration. The first configuration (401 A) includes a plurality of input cards and no output cards. The second configuration (401 B) includes a plurality of output cards and no input cards. The third configuration (400) includes a plurality of input and output cards.

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